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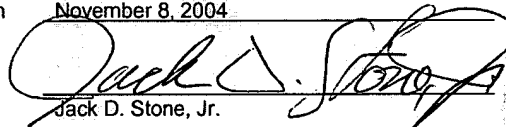
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated May 7, 2004, the time to respond to which has been extended to November 8, 2004, by a Petition for Extension of Time included herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 32 of this paper.